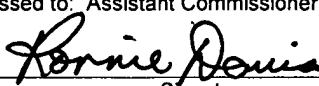


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Prior Group Art Unit: 2736

REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUATION APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a continuation application under Rule 53(b) (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)) of co-pending prior application Serial No. 08/826,983 filed April 9, 1997, entitled "Transmission Network and Filter Therefor."

- ☒ 1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application Serial No. 08/826,983 as originally filed, including specification, claims, drawings, and declaration. The original signed declaration is found in application Serial No. 08/347,427, which is the U.S. national phase of PCT/GB93/02163. The undersigned hereby verifies that the attached papers are a true copy of the prior application as originally filed and

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identified above, that no amendments (if any) referred to in the declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein, and further that this statement was made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

(a) ☒ The inventorship is the same as prior Application Serial No. 08/826,983.

(b) ☐ Deletion of inventor(s). Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

☒ 2. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,234 to cover the filing fee as calculated below and the fee for any new claims added in the Preliminary Amendment referred to in Clause No. 8 below.

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION
LESS CLAIMS CANCELED BELOW

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
Basic Fee -----				\$790.00
Total Claims	29 - 20 =	9 X	\$22.00 =	\$198.00
Independent Claims	6 - 3 =	3 X	\$82.00 =	\$246.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) -----				\$-0.00
TOTAL FILING FEES:				\$1234.00

- ☐ 3. Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status for this application.
- ☐ (a) A small entity statement is enclosed.
- ☐ (b) A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- ☐ (c) Small entity status is no longer claimed.
- ☒ 4. If the check is missing or insufficient, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 which may be required for any reason relating to this application, or credit any overpayment to Arnold White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/NRWB002--2.
- ☒ 5. Enclosed is a copy of the current Power of Attorney in the prior application; it is combined with the inventor's declaration.
- ☒ 6. Address all future communications to:
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- ☒ 7. The prior application is presently assigned to Norweb plc.
- ☒ 8. Enclosed is a preliminary amendment. Any additional fees incurred by this amendment are included in the check at No. 2 above and said fee has been calculated after calculation of claims and after amendment of claims by the preliminary amendment.
- ☒ 9. Cancel in this application claims 2 to 8 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained).

☒ 10. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a continuation of co-pending application Serial No. 08/826,983 filed April 9, 1997, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/347,427 filed November 29, 1994^{N.W. vs PAT. No. 5,684,450} (35 U.S.C. § 371 filing of PCT/GB93/02163 filed October 20, 1993) --.

☒ 11. Priority of foreign patent application number GB9222205.08, filed on 22 Oct. 1992 in Great Britain is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(e). The certified copy has been filed in the prior grand-parent application Serial No. 08/347,427.

☒ 12. Enclosed are formal drawings (nine sheets).

☒ 13. An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed.

☒ (a) Copies of PTO-1449 by Applicant and by Examiner in the parent application, which have been renumbered with consecutive page numbers.

☒ (b) Copies of the references cited are found in the parent application, or the grand-parent application.

☒ 14. Request for Permission to Amend Drawings.

☒ 15. Return Receipt Postcard (should be specifically itemized).

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